

# **47th Annual Ohio Scottish Games & Celtic Festival**



**June 21st & 22nd, 2024**

**Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, Berea Ohio**

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# Welcome

To those of you will come here today prideful of your Scottish ancestry and to those of you who have taken then heritage of Scotland into your hearts, we bit Ceud Mile Failte. For all who have come here to delight in the wonderful music, songs and dancing of the Highlands, we extend a Hundred Thousand Welcomes.

This is the 47<sup>th</sup> year of our gathering here in Ohio, and for those as yet uninitiate a word of explanation is in order. In the days long past, Scotland consisted of many clans, each with its own clan chief and each bound by close family ties. More often than not the clan boundaries were ill defined and rivalries among these groups were frequently intense and aggressive. History indicates that the clan chiefs would periodically bring the members together and by hotly contested games and events determine which of the Clansmen were best suited to positions of leadership.

As conflicts among the clans faded away, these gatherings took on a more festive air, with singing, dancing, the playing of pipes and communal discussions of plans and problems, and as such, were not unlike the village fairs and hoedowns of early America.

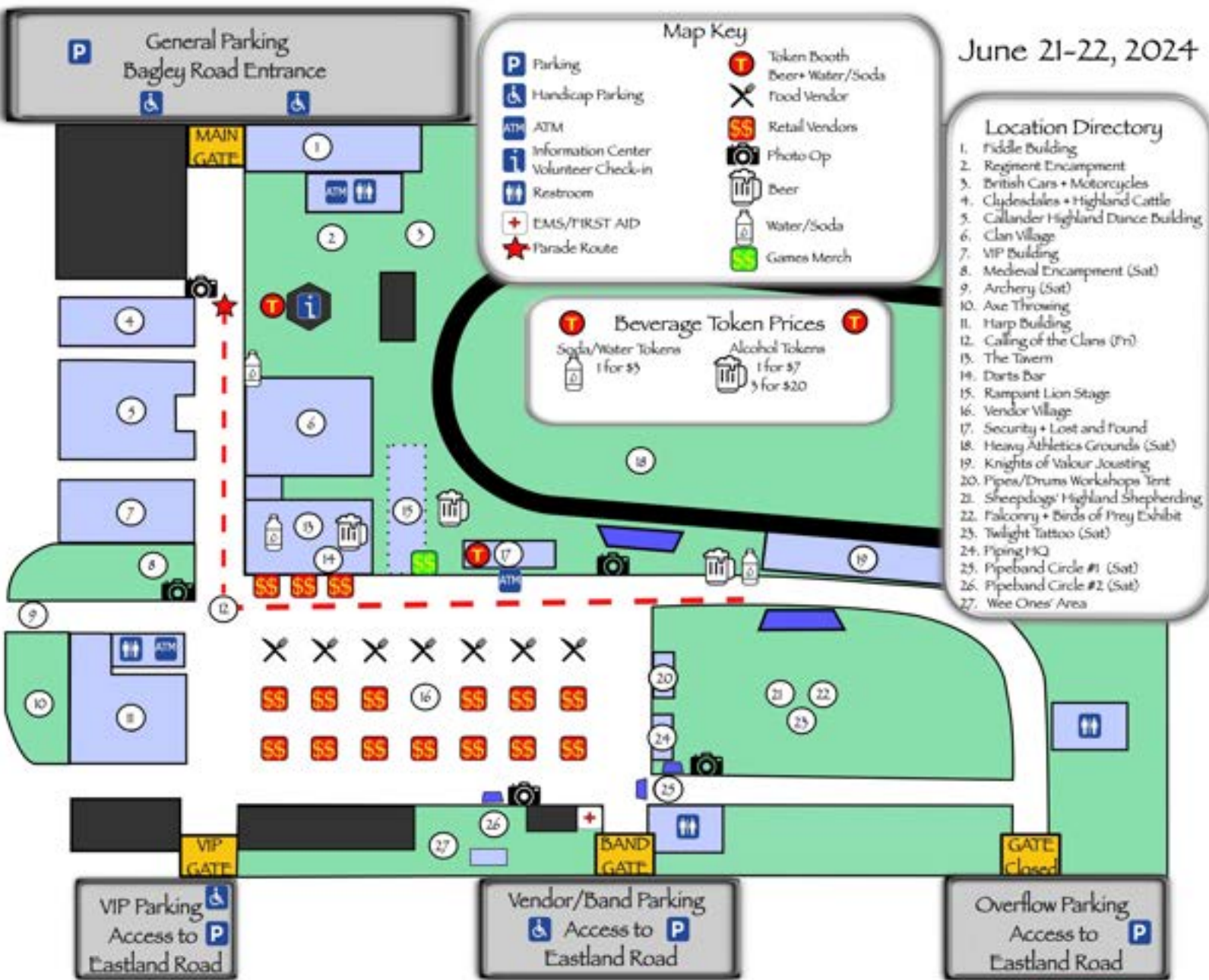
As Scotland became more unified, it was apparent that unless some action was taken much of the colorful clan culture was in danger of being lost forever, hence the establishment of annual Highland Games & Clan Gatherings. Once again, the clans were to meet in contest, with the honors of the day going to the most accomplished of the participants. As means of travel between these Games improved, the best athletes, pipers and dancers began to compete at many of the various gatherings throughout the length and breadth of Scotland.

Canada and the US are now established as prime forces in the preservation of the Scottish heritage. Today there are Highland Games from coast to coast attended by vast throngs who recognize and appreciate the value of perpetuation of this form of communal festivity and friendly competition in a world so beset with bitterness and hatred.

We extend our sincere thanks to those individuals and organizations who give so very greatly of their time and efforts to make this program possible. Their compensation is your appreciation of their unique talents and the role which they play in the preservation and perpetuation of the music and songs and dancing which are Scotland.



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Friday June 21, 2024

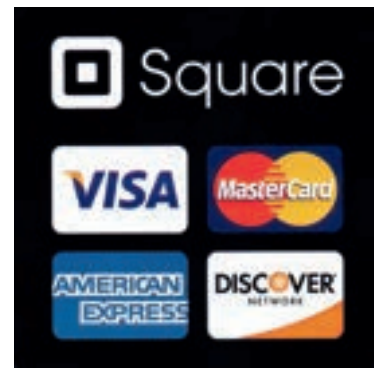
<u>Clan Village</u>	<u>The Grandstand</u>	<u>Harp Building</u>	<u>Fairgrounds Thoroughfare</u>	<u>The Tavern</u>	<u>Wee Ones' Area</u>	<u>Callander Highland Dance Building</u>	<u>The Sheepdogs' Highlands</u>	<u>Rampant Lion Stage</u>
Did Your Ancestors Wear Tartan? (5:30-6:30)	Knights of Valour Jousting Exhibition (7:30-8:30)	Harp Workshop: Wendy Stewart (6-7)	Calling of the Clans (9:45-10:30)	Andrew Mcmanus Trio (5:00-6:00)	Wee Ones' Highland Games (6-7)	Open Pipe + Drum Competition (6PM)	Falconry and Birds of Prey Exhibition (5:30-6:30)	Father Son and Friends (5:00-6:00)
Leneghan School of Irish Dance (6:30-7:15)	Knights of Valour Meet & Greet (8:30-9)				Steeltown Acoustic (7-8)			On The Lash (6:20-7:20)
Royal Scottish Country Dancers (7:15-8:15)					Open Irish Session led by Brian Bigley (8:30-9:30)			The Low Kings (7:40-8:40)
Leneghan School of Irish Dance (8:15-9)								The Prodigals (9-10:30)

Saturday June 22, 2024

<u>Clan Village</u>	<u>The Grandstand</u>	<u>Harp Building</u>	<u>Fairgrounds Thoroughfare</u>	<u>The Tavern</u>	<u>Wee Ones' Area</u>	<u>Callander Highland Dance Building</u>	<u>The Sheepdogs' Highlands</u>	<u>Rampant Lion Stage</u>	
Kirkin' of the Tartan (10:30- 11)	The Kilted Mile (10-11)	Scottish Harp Competiton (9-3)	The Grand Parade (12-12:30)	Andrew McManus Trio (11-12)	Children's Highland Events (11-12)	Highland Dance Registration (Begins 8 AM)	Dog Shepherding Demonstration (11-12)	Father Son and Friends (11-12)	
Royal Scottish Country Dancers (11:15-12)	Knights of Valour Jousting Exhibition (3-4)	Irish Harp workshop with Eileen Gannon (2:30-3:30)		Eimear & Eileen (1-1:50)	Children's Highland Events (4-5)	Pre-Premier + Pre-Championship (8:30-approx. 10)	Falconry and Birds of Prey Exhibition (1-2)	Bastard Bearded Irishmen (1-1:50)	
How to start a Scottish Clan (12:45-1:30)	Knights of Valour Photo Op (4-4:30)	Western Reserve Brass Band (4-5)	<u>Pipe Circle</u>	Custy & Mcnamara (2:00-2:50)		Choreography Competitions (Approx. 10 AM)	Dog Shepherding Demonstration (2-3)	On The Lash (2:10-3:00)	
Brady Campbell School of Irish Dance (1:30-2:15)	Knights of Valour Jousting Exhibition (7:30-8:30)	Try the Harp for First Timers (5-6)	Solo Pipes + Drum Competitions (8-12:30)	Steeltown Acoustic (3-3:30)	<u>Workshops</u>	Open Championship Registration (11:30)	Falconry and Birds of Prey Exhibition (4-5)	The Prodigals (3:20-4:10)	
Try Highland Dance for First Timers (2:15-3)	Knights of Valour Photo Op (8:30-9)		Pipe Band Competitions (2-6)	Eimear & Eileen (3:40-4:30)	Try Bagpipes for First Timers (10-11)	Open Championship Dance Competition (12-approx. 4)	Twilight Tattoo and Awards (6:30-7)	The Low Kings (4:30-5:20)	
Did Your Family Wear a Tartan (3-3:45)			Gordie Symes Pirates Smallpipe Session (4:30-6:30)		Try Drums for First Timers (11-12)	Final Dance Awards (Approx. 4:30-5)		Father Son and Friends (5:30-6:20)	
Royal Scottish Country Dancers (3:45-4:30)	<u>Heavy Athletics</u>		Steeltown Acoustic (6:30-7)					<u>Fiddle Building</u>	On the Lash (6:30-7:20)
Ohio Scottish Clans Tartan Buckeyes, (4:30-5:30)	All Times Approx. Stones (9 AM) Weights (10 AM) Hammers (11 AM)		Andrew McManus Trio (7:30-8:30)					Irish Music Competition (10-11)	The Low Kings (7:30-8:20)
Irish Gaelic Compared to Scottish Gaelic (5:30-6:30)	Caber (1 PM) W/ O/ B (2 PM) Sheaf Toss (2:30-3)		Open Irish Session (8:30-10:30)					Irish Music Workshop (11-12)	The Prodigals (8:30-9:20)
Brady Campbell School of Irish Dance (7:30-8:15)	Haggis Throw (3:30-4)						Fiddle Workshop with Sue Tillotson (1:30-2:30)	Bastard Bearded Irishmen (9:30-10:30)	
						Scottish Fiddle Competition (3-4)			



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# Irish & Scottish Dog Breeds

## Irish Wolfhounds

The calm, dignified, and kindly Irish Wolfhound is the tallest of all AKC breeds. Once fearless big-game hunters capable of dispatching a wolf in single combat, Wolfhounds today are the most serene and agreeable of companions.



The amiable Irish Wolfhound is an immense, muscular hound gracefully built along classic Greyhound lines, capable of great speed at the gallop. A male might stand nearly 3 feet at the shoulder and weigh up to 180 pounds. Females will run smaller but are still a whole lot of hound. The rough, hard coat comes in many colors, including white, gray, brindle, red, black, and fawn. IWs are too serene to be fierce guard dogs, but just the sight of them is enough to deter intruders. IWs are characteristically patient with kids, though animals their size should be supervised around small children. Owning an Irish Wolfhound is a unique, rewarding experience, but acquiring a giant galloping hound is a commitment as big as the dog itself.

Irish Wolfhound exhibit will be open Saturday until 5 PM next to the Children's Area

## Dandie Dinmont Terriers

Dandie Dinmont Terriers first showed up in a Gainsborough painting in 1777. They are the only breed of dog named for a fictional character, a farmer, Dandie Dinmont, who was a character in Sir Walter Scot's 1815 novel, "Guy Mannering"



Today the Dandie Dinmont Terrier is one of the rarest and most endangered of all purebred dogs. The Dandie is a true terrier made up of all curves instead of the straight lines of most terriers. They come from the Scottish border country and are the only breed to have their own officially sanctioned tartan.

The Dandie combines an affectionate and dignified nature with tenacity and boldness. The Dandie Dinmont Terrier is known as "the gentleman of Terriers".

Dandie Dinmont Terrier exhibit will be in the Clan Building

# *2024 Expected Competitors*

## *Highland Dance*

*Judges: Gemma Baillie, Scotland & Nadiene Gibney,  
Canadam & Sandra Weyman, USA*

Tessa Herb	Brecksville, OH	Katherine Taylor	Fairfax, VA
Sadie Herb	Brecksville, OH	Rose VanSteenkiste	Ray, MI
Elyse Spillan	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	Brogan Martin	Huntly, Aberdeenshire
Olivia Spillan	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	Brianna Dakin	Bradford, ON
Nadia DeMaagd	Chelsea, MI	MacKenzie Walls	Farmington, NY
Sophia DeMaagd	Chelsea, MI	Morgan O'Connor	Madison, WI
Lillianna Chewning	Elkins, WV	Innes O'Connor	Madison, WI
Ava Duerr	Plymouth, MI	McKenna Lindsay	CHESTERFIELD, MI
Corinne Miller	Troy, MI	Theresa Parker	Romeo, MI
Isobel Wilby	Whitby, ON	Tolley Fiona	Burlington, ON
Ava Granger	Mono, ON	Aideen Tolley	Burlington, ON
Amy Ferguson	Dalkeith, Scotland	annabelle cole	South Amherst, OH
Rebeca Srebot	Stouffville, ON	Caroline Ambrosius	East Stroudsburg, PA
Adeline Bruneau	Toronto, ON	Laura Donlan	Royal oak, MI
M.E. Baumgardner	Plymouth, MI	Hannah Bellingham	WATERLOO, ON
Clara Bruner	Fairfax, VA	Graham Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Finn Graf	Centreville, VA	Clara Kay Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Max Graf	Centreville, VA	Rachael Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Abigail Brown	SAINT LOUIS, MI	Adelyn Carol Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Bianca Kolcun	Lorain, OH	Erin Reilly	Burlington, ON
Em Rito	Bingham Farms, MI	Morgan Caruana	Ajax, ON
Abigail Breeze	Port Perry, ON	Clara Bruner	Fairfax, VA
Emma Breeze	Port Perry, ON	Caspian Abernathy	Dayton, OH
Willow Brown	Newmachar, Aberdeenshire	Michelle Abernathy	Dayton, OH
Camryn MacQueen Rossi	Gregory, MI	Avila Abernathy	Dayton, OH
Isobel Maclean-Eltham	Clearwater, FL	Colleen Case	Las Vegas, NV
Charles Gardner	Westlake, OH	Graham Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Katharine Carnegie	Woodstock, ON	Clara Ryckman	Xenia, OH
Rose VanSteenkiste	Ray, MI	Fiona Monin	Williwick, OH
Grace Nelsen	Dunedin, FL	Marissa Estes	Milford, MI
Shay O'Connor	Palm Harbor, FL	Quinn Essex	Columbus, OH

Madison Poth	Dunedin, FL	Cecelia Mosher	COLUMBUS, OH
Eilidh Kraus	Escondido, CA	Maeve Craig	Guelph, ON
Eilidh Kraus	Escondido, CA	Chloe McClean	Edinburgh
Catharine Burgess	Roanoke, VA	Claire Henshell	Davenport, FL
Quinn Dunny	Brighton, MI	Avery Henshell	Davenport, FL
Crystal Mirth	Reynoldsburg, OH	James Henshell	Davenport, FL
Katherine Keene	Vienna, VA	Eva Fincham	Beverly, WV
Elizabeth Ryser	Argyle, TX	Elizabeth Ryser	Argyle, TX
Isla Higgins	New Market, MD	Avery Collins	Palm Harbor, FL
Edward Welch	Felicity, OH	Noel Nelson	Adrian, MI
Taytum Elliott	Kitchener, ON	Fiona McGill	Xenia, OH
Marylen Marty	Amherst, OH	Annora McGill	Xenia, OH
Valéria Winters	Tolland, MA	Amanda McGill	Xenia, OH
Alexandra Winters	Tolland, MA	Adelyn Dagleish	Stoney Creek, ON
Alexa Bruneau	Toronto, ON	Sylvia Downey	Dayton, OH
Ariana Brunner	Clearwater, FL	Rosemary Downey	Dayton, OH
Emma Olshevski	McKinney, TX	Bernadette Ricord	Belmont, MI
Paige Johnson	Cambridge, ON	Elena Staskiewicz	Belmont, MI
Sophia Borger	Madison, WI	Elizabeth Norden	Dartmouth, MA
Milana Kobasher-Elder	Lorain, OH	Edmund Olszewski	Highland, MI
Emma Todd-King	Woodstock, ON	ROSALYN AGAPITO	WINDSOR, ON
Hannah Lampinen	Oak Creek, WI	Emilia Gruenhagen	Westland, MI
Adella Nicholson	Stow, OH	Aisla Gocan-Wright	London, ON
Athena Nicholson	Stow, OH	Macgregor Gocan-Wright	London, ON
Ariah Nicholson	Stow, OH	Kamden Nestor	White Lake, MI
Quinn Dunny	Brighton, MI	Elliott Belliveau	Burlington, ON
MacKenna Leonard	London, ON	Gillian Cochran	Kansas City, MO
Colleen Leonard	London, ON	Màiri Thomson Clow	Oak Park, MI
Emma Keene	Vienna, VA	Seraphina May	Allendale, MI
Benjamin Taylor	Fairfax, VA	Cecily Engle	Madison, WI
Annette Tansey	Madison, WI		

# *Harp, Fiddle, & Irish Music Competition*

## *Harp Judge: Wendy Stewart*

<i>Janet Winslow</i>	<i>Richmond, VA</i>
<i>Emma Aurand</i>	<i>Painesville, OH</i>
<i>Kathleen Bigley</i>	<i>Strongsville, OH</i>
<i>Catarina MacQueen Rossi</i>	<i>Gregory, MI</i>
<i>Janet Winslow</i>	<i>Richmond, CA</i>
<i>Alli Stevick</i>	<i>Marcus, IA</i>
<i>Sarah McIntosh</i>	<i>Eighty Four, PA</i>
<i>Ann-Marie Horcher</i>	<i>Midland, MI</i>
<i>Edith McNamara</i>	<i>North Royalton, OH</i>
<i>Catherine Montgomery</i>	<i>Mercer, PA</i>
<i>Leslie Vinson</i>	<i>Parker, CO</i>
<i>Grace English</i>	<i>Owens Cross Roads, AL</i>

## *Fiddle Judge: Elke Baker*

<i>Michael Nichol森</i>	<i>Itasca, IL</i>
<i>Haylie Ryan</i>	<i>Clymer, NY</i>
<i>James Nowling</i>	<i>Jamestown, NY</i>
<i>Monica Backstrom</i>	<i>Russell, PA</i>
<i>Ava Boltan</i>	<i>Liberty Hill, TX</i>

## *Irish Music Judge: Eimear Arkins*

<i>Ruth McNamara</i>	<i>North Royalton, OH</i>
<i>Patrick Bonnette</i>	<i>Youngstown, OH</i>

## *Heavy Athletic Competitors*

Jeremy Mansell	Wellington, OH	Doug Steiger	North Royalton, OH
Brian French	Cleveland, OH	Sean Feitz	Plain city, OH
Kari Coates	Wellington, OH	Caleb Dangrow	Greenville, PA
Andrew Elliott	Gainesboro, TN	Jeremy Schoeppner	Butler, PA
James Boyd	Ontario, OH	Karen Schoeppner	Butler, PA
Maxwell Mays	Grove City, OH	Steven Walker	Avon, OH
Devin Kallas	Chagrin Falls, OH	Noah Rich	Clarksville, TN
Samuel Wurzelbacher	Brookville, IN	Bella Fredriksen	Hamburg, NY
James Ripple	Stow, OH	Chance DeWerth	Brook Park, OH
Michael Stelzer	Celina, OH	Lukas Heiland	Shawnee, KS
John Rankin	Lisbon, OH	Jake Mantle	North Royalton, OH
Matt Mcelheny	Vermilion, OH	Chuck Thomas	Perry, OH
Benjamin Zak	Olmsted twp, OH	Jason Thomas	Perry, OH
Thomas Yakubik	Akron, OH	Christiane Sears	Cincinnati, OH
Bryce Maners	Mount Vernon, OH	Austin Owens	Williamsfield, OH
Joshua Loveless	GRAFTON, OH	Vincent Radisek	Lyndhurst, OH
David Loveless	GRAFTON, OH	Nathan Sims	Ashland, OH
Jason Stere	Warren, OH	Michael Schoenleb	Lewis Center, OH
Tristen Stere	Hubbard, OH	Grace Frye	Galena, OH
Tyler Wylie	Aurora, OH	Matt Monroe	Ravenna, OH
Andreu Schumacher	Mansfield, OH	Eric Kush	Strongsville, OH
James Shetler	Rossford, OH	McClellan Flanagan	Bowling Green, OH
Crystal Duda	NEWARK, OH	William Ingham	Avon Lake, OH
Alexander Ulery	Columbus, OH	Janine Tessarik	Euclid, OH
Calum Watt	Boardman, OH	Aaron Dawson	Midland, PA
Christopher Chipps	Windham, OH	Tyler Stalder	Minster, OH
Michael Ulery	Sunbury, OH	Jesse Sickle	Akron, OH
Shawn Trevino	Maumee, OH	Emma Raulie	Medina, OH
Eric Emerson	Toledo, OH	Andrew Elliott	Gainesboro, TN
Fred Radcliffe	Cincinnati, OH	Christine Tomasch	North Ridgeville, OH
Cameron Steiger	Parma, OH	Jake Mantle	North Royalton, OH
William Henson	Canal Fulton, OH	Evan Howe	Kent, OH
Benjamin Raulie	Medina, OH	Ian Heiland	Dayton, OH
Beren Laws	Salem, OH	Katie Martindale	Mason, OH
Michael Taggart	Salem, OH	Maxwell Martindale	Mason, OH
David Stout	Chardon, OH	John Haberman	Hamburg, NY
Benjamin Heiland	Clarksville, TN	Liam Stalnaker	Mount Gilead, OH



## ***Drum Major of the Day***

**Jim Engle** first honed his drill skills as a member of the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) doing ceremonial duty around the nation's capital. A Scottish Drum Major for over 40 years, he has received instruction from some of the foremost drum majors in the U.S., Canada, and Great Britain, most notably John Moon, Scots Guards, senior Drum Major of the British Army and Drummer to the Queen. Jim is a three time Champion Supreme of the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association (EUSPBA) and two time North American Champion. He is now a Drum Major adjudicator with EUSPBA.

Jim is also a drummer and piper currently piping with the Fraser's Grade 5 competition band. Since 1978, he has been the director of Piping and Drumming for the Central New York Scottish Games. He also serves the pipe band community as Executive Secretary of EUSPBA.

A native of Rome, Jim resides in Syracuse, NY with his wife Joanne, daughter Meredith, and son Christian, who is the Fraser's bass drummer.

**Jim Engle** [zecsec@euspba.org](mailto:zecsec@euspba.org)



# *Calling of the Clans*

*Calling of the Clans torch lighting ceremony will be held Friday, June 21 at 9:45.*

*The fiery cross was a means of communicating among clans and was principally used as a signal for the clans to gather together. It could signify the birth of the clan chief's first son, the announcement of highland games or it could be a callout to rally clan members to arms.*

*The cross was usually made from yew or hazel wood and set alight and was often tied together with strips of cloth dipped in goat's blood.*

*The torch would then be carried throughout the region by clan runners shouting their clan's war cry letting everyone everyone know where and when to gather. As runner tired, they would be replaced (similar to a relay team), allowing them to cover a wide area very quickly. In the case of a call to arms, each clan had a designated meeting point, and all men able to fight were expected to gather there, armed and ready for action.*

*Today, the torch signifies the connections we share within our families, heritage and community.*

## *2024 Clans:*

Isle of Man  
Clan Stewart  
Rattray  
Fleming  
Clan Donald USA  
Clan Keith Society USA, Inc.  
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Northeast Ohio (SHANO)  
Crawford International Society  
Clan MacLaren  
Clan Buchanan Society International

MacGillivray  
Dandie Dinmont Terriers  
House Of Gordon, USA  
Clan Campbell  
Clan Claus  
MacEwen  
Clan Murray USA  
Clan Gregor  
Scottish Cultural Garden Society,  
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Clan Gunn

# **2024 Whiskies**

## **Abelour 12yr**

Rich with Citrus Character

The 12 year-old expression is a fine example of how the distinctively crisp, citrus character of Aberlour's new distillate is deftly softened by double cask maturation. Traditional Oak and seasoned Sherry butts are both used to great effect, as the mellowed spirits within are combined to deliver a subtly balanced flavor.

## **Yellow Spot 12yr**

The Yellow Spot Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey is an extremely limited and rare edition to the Spot Whiskey lineup. This special whiskey was matured for 12 long years in three different types of oak casks: American bourbon barrels, Spanish sherry butts, and Spanish Malaga casks. The Spanish Malaga casks intensify the truly delightful tasting experience by the exotic sweet notes it contributed to the whiskey. While Green Spot is often described as tasting like green apples, Yellow Spot is more in character with juicy red apples. Sophisticated and complex in character, the inclusion of full term matured whiskey from ex Malaga casks contributes exotic characteristics to the whiskey.

## **Red Breast 15yr**

Redbreast 15, made exclusively of Pot Still whiskeys matured in the finest oak casks for no less than 15 years. A careful balance of first fill and refill casks accentuates the spices in Redbreast's signature full and complex flavor. Meticulously crafted in the spirit of tradition, Redbreast 15 sets the standard for depth and balance.

## **Talisker**

Produced at the oldest distillery on the Isle of Skye, Talisker Single Malt Scotch Whisky has been made by the sea since 1830, with its smell and taste instantly connecting you to its rugged maritime home. Every sip is a taste of the Isle of Skye itself, one of the most remote, windswept yet beautiful landscapes in Scotland. Talisker 10 Year Old, the stalwart of the Talisker family, is a powerful single malt whisky, with a sea-salty nose, spicy complexity, smoky sweet character and signature peppery finish: like a warm welcome from a wild sea. This single malt has a famously rich and powerful peat-smoke flavor, while the finish leaves you with a

warm peppery taste at the back of the mouth. It is double distilled to create a rich, deep character embodying the maritime characteristics of a coastal whisky, and then aged for a minimum of 10 years in American oak casks.

### **Oban 14yr**

A bright, lively Oban, retaining the fusion of highland and island styles that defines the distillery character yet skillfully blending in the vivid passions and colors of a rum cask finish. Flavors of orange peel, smoke, sea salt, and honey distinguish this full-bodied highland malt.

### **Lagavulin 16yr**

Revered by connoisseurs and experts, Lagavulin is known as “the king of Islay”. It is an 'essential' Scotch Whisky that any connoisseur or enthusiast must have in their collection; one of the world's favorite Malt Whiskies. Aged in oak casks for at least 16 years, this much sought-after Single Malt has the massive peat-smoke flavor that's typical of southern Islay, while also offering richness and a dryness that turns it into a truly interesting dram. The Lagavulin 16 Year Old has become a benchmark Islay dram from the Lagavulin distillery.

# **Border Collies & Sheep Herding**

Originally called Scottish sheep dogs, border collies are energetic descendants of Viking reindeer-herding dogs and are one of the most popular herding breeds in the world. It has been bred for centuries to work closely with man and is happiest when exercising its herding and fetching instincts. Its willing and devoted personality thrives on praise. Its unique, heritable trait enables the Border Collie to have a remarkable mastery of livestock without frightening them.

Border Collies derive its name from the border country between Scotland and England. The “working collie” established itself as the most valuable asset a flock owner could have. In old Gaelic “collie” was the rural term for anything useful — a “collie dog” was a useful dog. Because this breed flourished in the border region, it was christened the “Border Collie.”

Border Collies were exported to sheep farms and ranches in Ireland, United States and all over the world for their superior intelligent and tireless energy.

The Border Collie is one of the most intelligent of all breeds of dogs. It has been bred for centuries to work closely with man and work is a Border Collie’s passion. It is happiest when exercising its herding and fetching instincts. Its willing and devoted personality thrives on praise. Its unique, heritable trait, an attitude referred to as “the eye” enables the Border Collie to have a remarkable mastery of livestock without frightening them. There is no standard appearance since Border Collies are bred solely for their work ethic.

Ohio shepherdesses & dog trainers Esther and Edie will be putting on showcases of these border collies all weekend.



## Birds of Prey - Falconry

As a sport falconry has been around for 4,000 years. It developed in the ancient civilizations of the Middle East, Asia, and Europe.

The first documented English falconer was in the eighth century. Falconry was so important to English society that one could rarely walk down the medieval streets without seeing someone with his or her falcon perched on hand on wrist. The Stuarts were particularly fond of the sport of falconry, with Henry VIII being considered by some as the most important falcon advocates.

Falconry in Ireland started to make an appearance around the 12th Century with the arrival of the Anglo Normans. Here, too, it was deemed a pet project of the nobility – until the everyday Irishman worked out that there was money and prestige in flogging hawks to rich noblemen. Soon Ireland became synonymous with providing the best hawks available.

In the United States, the sport of falconry is practiced much as it always has been since its inception. There are roughly 4,000 licensed falconers in the United States, with only about 70 of those located in the state of Ohio.



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## *Entertainment*



### **Bastard Bearded Irishmen**

Pittsburgh-based Bastard Bearded Irishmen is one of the most entertaining and energetic live shows today. Their sound is an original, ferocious blend of traditional and contemporary Celtic music, mixed with punk, gypsy and high-energy rock n' roll.



### **The Prodigals**

The Prodigals are one of the iconic Celtic rock bands. They have released ten albums, the most recent in 2022, and have headlined major venues across the United States and Ireland

### **Father Son & Friends**

In 1989, Joey (Father) and Shawn (Son) started a band with their friends. Over the last 30 years they have played their brand of Celtic/Americana Folk Music at festivals, theaters and pubs all across the country. Finding themselves incredibly fortunate to have played on the Mumford and Sons, Gentleman Of The Road Tour and having received an Irish Music Award Nomination for "Top Traditional Band in a Festival, Theatre, Pub". Currently, Father Son and Friends can be heard on countless radio stations and television programs/documentaries including The American Woodshop on PBS.





## On The Lash

On The Lash formed in early 2021, with their very first set of shows being a tour through PA and DE. Since then, OTL has been busy performing at festivals and concert venues across the US, as well as sharing their unique background and experience in the genre through educational workshops. Some notable festivals include the KVMR Celtic Fest in Grass Valley, CA; the Yachats Celtic Fest in Yachats, OR; the Longs Peak Highland Fest in Estes Park, CO; and the Celtic Classic in Bethlehem, PA. Their recorded work includes the 2022 single *Dog in the Distance*, with a five song performance EP to be released in 2024.



## The Low Kings

As Pittsburgh's premier Celtic rock band, The Low Kings have opened for international acts like Gaelic Storm, The Rumjacks, Young Dubliners, Red Hot Chilli Pipers and Screaming Orphans, and are fixtures at regional venues and Celtic festivals.

## Andrew McManus Trio

Andrew McManus, Mark Whalen Jr and Tessa Thistlethwaite make up the Andrew McManus Trio. Andrew a singer-songwriter from Armagh, Northern Ireland. Growing up at the tail-end of the Troubles near the ancient Celtic site of Emain Macha, Andrew was heavily influenced by the local myths and legends of Irish literature that were set there; the tales of Cú Chulainn, Queen Macha, and the epic saga of the Táin Bó Cúailnge. These stories deeply inspired his creativity and a love for Irish folk tunes which led him to producing artwork and music with a distinctly Celtic and ethereal quality.





## Custy & McNamara

Nikki Custy and Samantha McNamara are based in Cleveland Ohio. They play an exciting blend of music from old traditional ballads to original songs and modern covers and their driving tunes will make you want to get up and dance. They currently perform all around the Northeast Ohio region and are looking forward to visiting new cities and broadening their audiences!

## Eimear & Eileen

Eimear Arkins and Eileen Gannon have been lighting up the Irish music scene in St. Louis for the past several years. They have played numerous sold-out shows across the midwest and beyond.



## Robert Mouland

Robert Mouland is a multi-instrumentalist who performs a wide variety of unique presentations in both historical and Irish music. His most popular offering over the past few years has been Dancers On A String which presents a cast of different characters called marionettes a laplanchette, or jig puppets. But he still has been known to do performance lectures with 18th century instruments, background music for corporate events (which he did for years at Philadelphia's City Tavern and Carpenters Hall), storytelling with or without his rolleaux transparent (modern people renamed it a crankie) and stage presentations such as his Legacy Of The Irish Harp. He can be found playing Irish traditional music with friends at sessions around the Philadelphia area when his full time music career doesn't have him travelling about.



## **Steeltown Acoustic Instruments Experience**

Steeltown Acoustic Instruments Experience (SAIE) is an interactive, educational and a “play music on the spot” experience for people to show their musical talent and to learn about a variety of instruments and how they connect to Celtic music.



## **Geordie Symes' Pirates Smallpipe Group**

Friends, Musicians, and OSAS alum who have found a love in gathering and performing music on their smallpipes. The group plays both traditional and modern compositions. The group looks forward to gathering at events where they can enjoy making collective music and educating the public about the music and instruments they appreciate.



## **Royal Scottish Country Dance, Cleveland Heights Group**

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society (RSCDS) exists to promote and develop Scottish Country Dancing worldwide for the benefit of present and future generations. Our dedicated and passionate membership community aims to promote traditional Scottish Country Dance and Music for current and future generations to enjoy, and are always welcoming to new dancers.



## Leneghan School of Irish Dance

The Leneghan Academy, under the direction of Catherine Leneghan Fox, is celebrating it's 30th year of Irish Dance instruction in the Cleveland area. The studio holds classes in Euclid, Parma Hts and Westlake. Dancers have opportunities to train for fun and fitness, for performance and for competition.



## Brady Campbell Irish Dance School

If you hear Irish music and it makes you want to skip or kick your heels, then Irish dancing may be perfect for you!

The **Brady Campbell Irish Dance School** welcomes new students—beginning at age 4—all year round to join their family. The school welcomes everyone join in the dance!



# *2024 Expected Solo Piping & Drumming Competitors*

*Judges: Craig Munro, Barry Donaldson, Calum, MacDonald,  
Dave Hall, Dan Lyden, Steve MacNeil, Derek Midgley, Grant  
Maxwell, Steven Hill, Linda Hall, Jim Engle*

Jesse Tucker	Cleveland, OH	Joseph Roseck	Edinburg, PA
Colleen Ryan	Newark, OH	Kate Wiley	Medina, OH
Lucas Robinson	Oakwood, OH	Dan Ross	Kettering, OH
Liam Stalnaker	Mount Gilead, OH	Lauren McMillan	Fredericksburg, VA
Liam Horne	Bristol, VA	Patrick Bingham	Thomasville, NC
Luke Marinelli	Medina, OH	Rhys Weibel	Greencastle, PA
John Donnelly	Pickerington, OH	Rebecca Connor	Greencastle, PA
Bryan Crable	Ellwood City, PA	Paul Billig	Canton, OH
Brett Lamb	Minerva, OH	Christopher Ingram	Cincinnati, OH
Orin Weiss	Girard, KS	David Makin-Byrd	Crestline, OH
Ryan Praskovich	Columbus, OH	Patrick Neff	Bedford, PA
brendan dorsey	lakewood, OH	Jason Weibel	Greencastle, PA
Christine Nolin	Pittsburgh, PA	Alastair Murray	Moon two, PA
Kimberly Meek	Leetonia, OH	John Paul Howell	Glen Burnie, MD
Laura Romine	Jacksonville, FL	Brody Alexander	Columbus, OH
Jim Kilburg	Hilliard, OH	Andy Douglas	Loveland, OH
Paul Harrison	Newark, OH	Joseph Ray	North Huntingdon, PA
David Forshew	Medina, OH	Aidan Tolliver	Lorain, OH
		Logan Kaern	
Andrew Keppel	Batavia, IL	McGregor	Montour, PA
Amy Howard	Pittsburgh, PA	Dr. Karl Fetter	Athens, GA
Kimberly meek	Leetonia, OH	KENT KOESTER	LEWIS CENTER, OH
Joseph Kern	Cleveland, OH	Mike Fenton	Ottawa, ON
Pete Evans	Freeland, MD	Timothy Wiley	Medina, OH
Ken Decker	Columbus, OH	Antonio Amram	Chicago, IL
Scott Phillips	Morgantown, WV	Meghan McElhinney	Akron, OH
	Fernandina Beach,		
Lynn Carper	FL	Elijah Shepherd	Lorain, OH
David Flaherty	Erie, PA	Crosby Marty	Amherst, OH
Michael Eddleman	Akron, OH	Sean McCarthy	Connoquenessing, PA
Sarah Boyd	Akron, OH	WILLIAM NEUMANN	GALION, OH
Michael Erwin	Pickerington, OH	Timothy Strait	Madison, WI
Michael McCollum	Deerton, MI	Scarlett Jacoby	Blanchardville, WI
Thomas McCollum	Deerton, MI	Stella Jacoby	Blanchardville, WI

Reece Calovini	Parma, OH	Rick Schwenning	Barberton, OH
Tanner Kline	Ashville, OH	Dan Kulhanek	North Ridgeville, OH
Michael Trenor	Columbus, OH	Allison Hildebrand	Glen Ellyn, IL
Rhys Weibel	Greencastle, PA	Mary Thrasher	Naperville, IL
Rebecca Connor	Greencastle, PA	Sean Patrick Regan	Aliquippa, PA
Garrett McKenzie	Gainesville, VA	Hilary Harp	Pittsburgh, PA
Anne Gallo	North Royalton, OH	Evan Johnston	Bay Village, OH
Isaiah Smith	Garner, NC	Todd Schroeder	Ottawa, OH
Christopher O'Sullivan	Bethel Park, PA	Evan Burlew	Pittsburgh, PA
Daniel Cornwell	Grove City, OH	Dan Lyden	Timonium, MD
David Keith	Pittsburgh, PA	Stephen Pack	Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Thompson McConnell	Lititz, PA	Hilary Harp	Pittsburgh, PA
Jason Reynolds	Columbus, OH	Gene M. Samson	Pemberville, OH
	North Richland Hills, TX	Teri Piatt	Bellbrook, OH
Daniel Parry	Independence, OH	Alan Curran	Haskins, OH
Rylie Valley	Troy, MI	Lucas Robinson	Oakwood, OH
Jonathan Snow	Circleville, OH	Alex Phillips	Hebron, KY
Maria Bishop	Pittsburgh, PA	Adam Valenti	Pittsburgh, PA
walter mcghee	Willoughby Hills, OH	Joseph Horwath	Portage, MI
Quinn Faith	Tinton Falls, NJ	Joshua Marino	Beavercreek, OH
Derek Midgley	Howell, MI	Flora Stone	Natick, MA
Felicia Lelli	Edinboro, PA	Magnus Stone	Natick, MA
Elijah Preston			
Elisha Jimenez	Pittsburgh, PA		

*Pipe Band Competitors*

*Judges: Craig Munro, Barry Donaldson, Calum, MacDonald,  
Dave Hall, Dan Lyden, Steve MacNeil, Derek Midgley, Grant  
Maxwell, Steven Hill, Linda Hall, Jim Engle*

*Grade 2*

*Midlothian - Lombard, IL  
City of Chicago - Chicago, IL  
Great Lakes Pipe Band - Cleveland, OH*

*Grade 3*

*North Coast*

*Grade 4*

*Michigan Scottish Pipes & Drums - Grosse Pointe, MI  
Cincinnati Caledonian Pipes & Drums - Liberty Township, OH  
Madison Pipes & Drums - Madison, WI  
Macdonald Pipe Band of Pittsburgh - Pittsburgh, PA  
87<sup>th</sup> Cleveland - Strongsville, OH*

*Grade 5*

*Macdonald Pipe Band of Pittsburgh- Pittsburgh, PA  
87<sup>th</sup> Cleveland Pipe Band - Strongsville, OH  
Capital City Pipes & Drums - Columbus, OH  
North Coast Pipe Band - Chagrin Falls, OH  
Celtic Eagle Pipe Band - Medina, OH  
Miami Valley Pipes & Drums - Dayton, OH  
Celtic Circle Pipe Band - Rochester, PA*

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### *Wee Ones Area*

*This area of the fairgrounds features multiple interactive inflatables, catapults for sieging the Castle, and just one of the numerous Celtic themed Photo-Op cut-outs.*

*The Wee Ones' Area also conducts the Children Games! These events are modified highland athletic games suitable for Children. Children Games take place once on Friday and three times on Saturday. Children will be divided into 5 groups: 2-4 year old's, 5 year old's, 6-7 year old's, 8-9 year old's, and 10-11 year old's. Medals/ribbons will be awarded.*